

# 1997-99 Performance Progress Report

## For Quarter Ending June 1999

Agency 495

### Department of Agriculture

#### Mission

WSDA serves the people of Washington by supporting the agricultural community and promoting consumer and environmental protection.

**Strategy** Monitor, inspect, and test the state's food and dairy supply from producer to market.

**Performance Measure** Percentage of food processing firms which have a compliance rating score of 90 or more with no critical violations each year.\*

\* Total possible points equals 100

Outcome	Fiscal Year 1998				Fiscal Year 1999			
	<u>Quarter 1</u>	<u>Quarter 2</u>	<u>Quarter 3</u>	<u>Quarter 4</u>	<u>Quarter 5</u>	<u>Quarter 6</u>	<u>Quarter 7</u>	<u>Quarter 8</u>
Estimate				94%				95%
Actual				95%				96%
Date Measured				6/30/98				6/30/99

**Strategy** Regulate the use of pesticides and fertilizers by promoting the safe and legal distribution, use, and disposal of pesticides and fertilizers to reduce human exposure and environmental contamination.

**Performance Measure** Voluntary compliance rate for correcting pesticide and fertilizer violations identified through inspections and investigations.\*

\* Data on corrected violations are self-reported.

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Estimate				90%				95%
Actual				32%				68%
Date Measured				6/30/98				6/30/99

#### Quarter 4 Comment

The actual percentage reported for voluntary compliance for correcting pesticide and fertilizer inspection violations is low for FY 98 because the programs failed to establish a follow-up procedure until late in the year. Since the data on corrected violations is self-reported, and in some cases the reporting is not mandatory, staff found that many if those who had complied failed to mail back the forms. Staff have now instituted a procedure to follow-up on those who do not report. In time this should increase the percentage of those reporting themselves in voluntary compliance.

**Strategy** Facilitate the movement of Washington agricultural products in domestic and international markets.

**Performance Measure** International dollar sales achieved which are attributable to agency staff and contractors' efforts in the International Marketing program (dollars in millions).

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Estimate				\$30				\$34
Actual				\$81				\$79
Date Measured				6/30/98				6/30/99

#### Quarter 4 Comment

Cherry Sales in Japan accounted for \$53 million in July 97 and June 98. Assisted sales (direct assistance, phytosanitary assistance, federal financial assistance) account for \$28 million.